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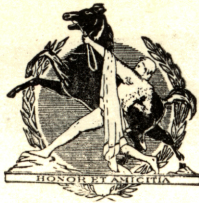


## ***It's on Again!***

*This is the season when the follower of cricket does a quick change—and overnight becomes the follower of football. Whatever the code you favour, this coming winter should see some grand games. Picture shows one of the early Union practices in Sydney.*

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## KEEPING POSTED

**T**HERE'S been a good entry list to the Club's Billiard and Snooker Tournaments — particularly gratifying to the sub-committee. At this early stage, it looks as though we can anticipate seeing some grand games, well up to the standard of previous years, judging by the practice that certain members have been having in the Billiards Room. Handicaps are on page 13.

**C**ONGRATULATIONS to Adolph Bassar, who has had the honorary degree of Doctor of Science conferred on him by the Sydney University Senate, in recognition of the several substantial gifts he has made to the University. His degree will be given him at the annual Conferring Ceremony in Science and Engineering, on May 5th — a day for a handshake, if you should see him.

**M**ORE cause for congratulations! Daniel Currie, well known Real Estate man in the Eastern Suburbs, has been elected vice-president of the Real Estate Institute of New South Wales.

**C**OMMITTEEMAN Alf Collins was away from us for a while last month — holidaying at Jervis Bay. And to save you asking him, the answer is: "No fish."

**C**ONGRATULATIONS to Club members who had success at the Autumn Meeting! Among them, Bill Laforest with French Shoe; E. R. Williams with Electro and Pride of Egypt; P. H. Crowley with Brilliant Light; Arthur Lambell with Rose Belle . . . and several others. Congratulations also to Ted Hush, Tom Smith, Maurice McCarten for training of a number of winners.

**D**DOUBLE congratulations to Tom Greaves — he's a grandfather.

**T**ED RUSSELL, who has just opened a new hotel at Coffs Harbour, hopes that any friends passing through will look in and join him in a small celebrating drink.

**W.**F. NELSON and Mrs. Nelson — off on a trip to United Kingdom and U.S.A.; lucky people!

**W**ORD comes from Alec Lash — thoroughly enjoying his trip to Japan.

**W**ORD, too, from Harry Gough. He writes from San Francisco to say that he is having a grand time, sends his regards to all.

### EDITORIAL: Games are Grim

*King Cricket is bowling out rather awkwardly, conscious of a poor showing.*

*There is no consolation in the entreaty to remember other seasons when the exit has been to the accompaniment of plaudits. People have short memories. They are prone to remember only spectacular achievement; honest striving inspires nothing at all in generous recollection.*

*That may be poor philosophy, but it is human nature — pursuit of the spoils of victory more than the enriching experience of adversity. That*

*is not true of all of the people all of the time; it is true of most of the people most of the time.*

*Emphasis remains on victory. In the wars there are more splendid winners than philosophical losers and sportsmanship does not necessarily suffer. The rules of the game are observed, but the game is played always to win, giving little or nothing away.*

*The sporting risk of a closure at cricket is rarely accepted. It's a grim game on the Test level. No use sighing. There is no turning back to a happier era. Games generally may tend to become even grimmer.*



# Happy Birthday to You!

## APRIL

1 Dr. N. Rau	J. W. Nagel
Judge Rainbow	Lewis Ross
F. H. Bowes	H. R. Alexan-
Dr. T. E. Gib-	der
son	R. H. Fleming
A. J. Alsop	E. W. Newman
2 Alan Walker	17 R. H. Nuttall
J. A. McQuade	Dr. R. G. Mc-
4 A. E. Mahony	Kay
D. P. Coughlan	18 Dr. M. J. Slat-
5 W. J. McIver	tery
S. P. Owen	A. L. Bragg
Arthur Norton	Peter Williams
J. E. Burley	Harry W. Smith
Dr. Bruce Wil-	19 T. W. Reid
liams	J. Levenson
6 G. E. Nagel	A. E. Abrahams
M. Toltz	20 Arthur Smith
7 R. S. Bailey	F. J. Alderman
N. R. Plomley	T. F. Nash
J. H. G. Wilkes	C. A. Smith
L. C. Laurence	W. J. Trotter
9 Dr. F. A. Bel-	21 F. H. Brown
lingham	22 J. W. Brecken-
P. R. Harnett	ridge
Geo. Gibson	R. R. Piggan
Charles Dunk	23 D. Lotherington
S. Cremer	J. G. Perry
10 Mr. Justice	A. T. Cusick
Dovey	24 J. Mandel
K. A. Bennett	R. B. McFadyen
J. L. Gibbs	25 Hector Reid
B. G. Cupit	E. A. Westhoff
11 R. Price	Dr. W. Llewel-
J. S. Cumming	lyn Rees
C. G. D. All-	26 W. T. Franklin
man	S. H. Hender-
E. M. Fanker	son
12 C. L. Fader	R. D. Fuller
R. L. McKinnon	27 R. E. Eastway
J. S. Dunne	B. J. L. Davis
B. A. Grace	W. D. Biber
F. G. Proctor	28 Geo. Sanderson
12 J. H. Wells	W. R. Laforest
O. Keyser	H. S. Barrow
W. A. McDon-	J. M. Coughlan
ald	29 N. H. B. Brown
A. W. Ander-	H. H. Buckley
son	A. Stockman
14 F. N. Manhood	30 P. T. Kavanagh
W. J. Bradley,	J. M. Furlong
Q.C.	Herbert M.
R. E. Lay	Abbott
D. N. Merrett	Hugh Marshall
15 Ken A. Smith	P. A. Malouf
16 F. E. Shepherd,	A. A. Murray
Snr.	

## MAY

1 V. H. Moodie	5 M. C. Cameron
John Dolden	K. H. Douglas
E. Lashmar	6 H. C. Bartley
E. R. McCormac	H. C. Weld
2 W. E. Ether-	7 L. P. R. Bean
ington	G. A. Crawford
J. A. Purcell	H. Liebmann
J. D. Hum	R. A. Douglas
3 Roy Miller	G. Munnoch
J. H. Robinson	8 D. H. McCathie
W. A. McIntyre	J. H. D. Marks
R. M. Maunsell	A. W. Melrose
4 D. F. Stewart	C. N. Radford
E. Eccles	C. G. Blainey
F. C. Horley	9 W. E. Kelso
S. Lenzer	10 H. R. Hayes
R. J. Corrick	E. W. Abbott
A. A. Joel	H. D. Harding-
F. P. Leonard	ham

**M.** P. WEBBER is currently off to Japan as representative of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce. He is honoured by being one of the delegates to the 15th Congress of the International Chamber of Commerce, being held this month in Tokio.

**BON Voyage to three more travellers: E. J. Wales, to U.S.A.; A. Browning, to England; Harold Quinton, to United Kingdom, returning through the States.**

**NICE** to see Dave Mackie back in the Club again a few days ago, after his stay in hospital. A bit subdued, but looking as though he will soon be fully himself again. Vince Carroll, too, was welcomed back after his illness — good to see him.

11 H. J. Williams	21 M. D. Dev-
E. R. Marie	eridge
C. L. Parker	22 De Renzie
H. S. Darke	Rich
12 Donald Wilson	His Honour
Dr. M. S.	Mr. Justice
Henry	Herron
F. C. R. Waters	R. L. Ball
13 H. C. Moon	R. Kidnie
J. E. Pagan	V. C. M. Owen
14 C. E. Blayney	E. E. Bullen
Fred Pfeiffer	G. M. Roch-
Louis Moss,	ester
Snr.	23 A. O. Pfafflin
Harry Woolf	Robert Walder
C. F. Dummett	D. W. Geyer
15 J. Goldberg	24 G. Laforest
Jacob Solomon	V. G. Watson
F. G. Helman	25 M. W. Hawks-
D. S. Nielson	ford
16 Dr. L. S.	26 R. B. Barmby
Loewenthal	C. R. Tarrant
J. Reid-Hill	J. T. Hackett
17 L. R. Harrison	27 A. E. Willis
W. J. P.	Morgan
18 P. F. Firth	28 George Chiene
A. H. Kennedy	R. J. A. Gray
19 S. E. A.	29 Gus Widmer
Holland	30 Mr. Justice
V. L. Stokoe	Clancy
20 C. J. Davis	31 J. Coady
W. W. Kirwan	W. O. Ireland
H. R. Miller	

**Members are invited to notify the Secretary of the date of their Birthday.**

**RESULT** of the visit of our Cricketers to Brisbane early last month was that Brisbane "Backseaters" avenged our previous defeat in the last match we played with them — in other words, they won the cricket and we lost! Just who can be adjudged the winners of the other contests and competitions which occupied a large part of the visit — or just which part of the proceedings started us on the rocky road to crick-eting failure, are items on which no information is forthcoming. But all are agreed that our good friends of Brisbane Tattersall's lived up in every way to their reputation for grand and friendly hospitality. Scores were:

### SYDNEY TATTERSALL'S

J. Large, run out	2
W. Godby, c Roberts, b Warlow	9
J. Rogan, b Stahlut	53
W. McLachlan, b Warlow	2
A. Turner, c Higgins, b Girdham	0
N. Hough, c Stahlut, b Girdham	14
J. Vandenberg, c Broad, b Girdham	1
J. Pick, b Warlow	1
T. Leach, c Broad, b Roberts	10
H. Hill, b Roberts	7
A. Naylor, not out	1
Sundries	6
Total	106

### Bowling:

	O.	M.	W.	R.
G. Warlow	8	2	3	21
F. Stahlut	6	—	1	24
J. Girdham	7	1	3	19
L. Roberts	5	—	2	25
N. Duce	2	—	—	11

### TATTERSALL'S BACKSEATERS

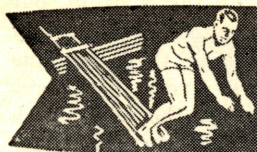
J. Hannay, run out	22
F. Stahlut, stpd. Leach, b Pick	61
J. Glasson, c Rogan, b Pick	8
E. Broad, c Leach, b Turner	16
J. Girdham, stpd. Leach, b Turner	24
L. Roberts, c Large, b Rogan	38
G. Warlow, c Hough, b Pick	14
M. Crockett, c Rogan, b Naylor	25
J. Higgins, c Hough, b Vandenberg	0
N. Duce, b Pick	0
D. McLean, not out	8
Sundries	5
Total	221

### Bowling:

	O.	M.	W.	R.
J. Rogan	11	1	1	56
A. Turner	10	1	2	65
J. Vandenberg	5	—	1	28
J. Pick	8	—	4	67
A. Naylor	1	—	1	0

**SORRY** indeed to hear that Jim Collins and Mrs. Collins were hurt in a car accident. Best wishes for speedy recovery from their injuries.





## IN AND OUT OF THE POOL

# Geoff Laforest Lands Feb.-March Point Score

**Harold Herman still heads the list in the "Native Son" Trophy. Geoff Laforest just scraped home by half a point from Ralph Corrick. This month's event was won without any of the finalists having a chance of altering the verdict.**

**H**AROLD HERMAN still leads in the "Native Son" Trophy by the bare point from last year's winner, Bob Harris, who may find the going a wee bit difficult from now on, with Geoff Laforest only half a point astern, followed by Fred Harvie five points away in fourth place.

Four members who lost a second during the last month were Laurie Trafford, C. Bowes, Bob Harris and Bruce Chiene, and it was freely said that it was owing to the Starter being very fresh after his three weeks' vacation at the Mountains.

Bob Harris' effort to record a dead-heat with Bruce Chiene was the piece de resistance! A feather in the Starter's cap, catching two birds at the one time, which pleased everybody except the two concerned. The effort was really sensational and the boys in their traditional way vented their feelings in no uncertain manner.

Carl Phillips showed a glimpse of his best form in winning his heat from newcomer, Lionel Levenson, and Bill Kirwan, in 20 secs. Nice swim, Carl.

Welcome, Lionel. Feel sure you will be catching the judge's eye at an early date.

Judge Rainbow was noticed among the starters in the 3rd Heat and registered second place behind Fred Harvie. Alf says he requires a longer mark, but after seeing Fred in action at a later date reckons it won't be long before he registers No. 1.

Congratulations to C. Bowes on winning his first final on the 17th. Was a well earned and deserved win. Noticed his Dad was present to cheer him to victory.

It was a very pleasant sight to see our handicapper, John Gunton, back in harness again, and he received a right royal welcome from the pool habitues. Has been a long while and it is nice to see that he has again made a good recovery. "Here's hoping you keep well, John."

Our cheerful and hard working Hon. Secretary, Jack Dexter, and his good lady are taking a short vacation and left for New Guinea on the Shansi on Tuesday, 8th. All the members of the 3rd floor hope they both have an enjoyable trip and safe return. The weather has not been exactly the best for a sea trip, but here's hoping they are really good sailors.

### Results

Results of 80 yards Brace Relay Handicap on 22nd February—R. Corrick and L. Trafford (54), J. C. Brice and B. Chiene (48), tied, 1; N. Kendall and F. Harvie (41), 3. Times: 52.5 and 46.5 secs.

40 yards Handicap, on 1st March:—

1st Division Final: G. Laforest (22) 1, S. Murray (25) 2, P. Lindsay (25) 3. Time: 21.6 secs.

2nd Division Final: L. Trafford (27), C. Bowes (26), dead-heat, 1; B. Chiene (24) 3. Times: 25.3 and 24.3 secs.

80 yards Brace Relay on 8th March:—R. Corrick and N. Barrell (50) 1, K. Francis and F. Harvie (44) 2, G. Laforest and W. Williams (44) 3. Time: 49.2 secs.

40 yards Handicap, held on March 15th:—C. Bowes (25) 1, N. Barrell (23) 2, A. Alsop (22) 3. Time: 24.4 secs.

February-March Point Score was won by:—G. Laforest 22, R. Corrick 21½, C. Bowes 19½, B. Chiene 19, F. Harvie 18, S. Murray 17½, R. Harris 16½, K. Francis 16, P. Lindsay 16, H. Herman 15, L. Trafford 15.

Native Son Point Score:—The leaders are: H. Herman 93, R. Harris 92, G. Laforest 91½, F. Harvie 86½, S. Murray 82, F. Muller 82, B. Chiene 76, R. Corrick 75, C. Godhard 73½, H. E. Davis 72, P. Lindsay 69, C. Hoole 66½.



# HANDBALL



## RESULTS

### CHAMPIONSHIP DETAILS

**A number of contests for the Club Championships have been finalised and many exciting games in all grades have been played. The results to date are as follows :**

#### A GRADE

E. E. Davis defeated Zaide Lazarus 21-13; 21-16. Bruce Partridge defeated Clarrie Woodfield 21-17; 21-12. Bruce Partridge defeated Peter Lindsay 24-22; 21-17.

#### B GRADE

Andy McGill defeated Gordon Boulton 21-12; 21-10. Andy McGill defeated Neil Barrell 21-23; 21-19; 21-15. Bill Kirwan defeated Eric Thompson 19-21; 21-7; 21-19.

Peter Williams defeated John Shaffran, walkover. Peter Williams defeated Col. Chatterton 21-7; 21-15.

#### C GRADE

Harry Castle defeated Ron Spencer 21-10; 21-15. Harry Castle def. John Brice 21-12; 21-13. George Goldie defeated Geoff Laforest 21-16; 21-12. George Goldie defeated Bruce Chiene 21-14; 21-12. Ken Francis defeated Trevor Barrell 21-7; 21-19. Ken Francis defeated Allen Stewart 21-14; 21-12.

In A Grade, the match of the month was between Bruce Partridge and Peter Lindsay. A better game has not been seen in Tattersall's Club, Peter giving Bruce the match of his life. The pace was on from the very first service. Bruce is a natural hard hitter but Peter, not to be outdone, slugged it out all the way. In the first

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#### A Grade Championship

1st Round	2nd Round	Semi-Final	Final
	E. E. Davis v. Z. Lazarus	E. E. Davis	Winner
	A. McCamley v. G. McGilvray		
G. McGilvray v. F. Harvie			
C. Woodfield v. B. Partridge	B. Partridge v. P. B. Lindsay	B. Partridge	
	J. O. Dexter v. G. Eastment		

#### B Grade Championship

1st Round	2nd Round	Semi-Final	Final
A. McGill v. G. Blouton	A. McGill v. N. Barrell	A. McGill	Winner
	V. Thicknesse v. B. Adams		
W. W. Kirwan v. E. C. Thomson	W. W. Kirwan v. M. Fuller		
J. Shaffran v. P. Williams	P. Williams v. C. Chatterton	P. Williams	

#### C Grade Championship

1st Round	2nd Round	Semi-Final	Final
W. B. Phillips v. C. Godhard	v. F. Muller		Winner
K. Francis v. T. Barrell	K. Francis v. A. Stewart	K. Francis	
H. P. Castle v. R. Spencer	H. Castle v. J. Brice	H. Castle	
G. Laforest v. G. Goldie	G. Goldie v. L. A. Silk	G. Goldie	



# HANDBALL NOTES

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game, scores see-sawed until 21 all was called, and so the game continued until Bruce gained the necessary extra point to win the first set 24-22. In the second set, it appeared that the tough first set had taken its toll of Bruce, as Peter led 9-2. Then the unexpected happened. Bruce got a new lease of life, winning 10 straight points to lead 12-9. Peter came good again — but it was too late, and Bruce won the set 21-17, and the match. Thank you, chaps, and congratulations for a fine exhibition.

A couple of days before meeting Peter, Bruce played Clarrie Woodfield. Here again, a good match resulted, although it did not reach the standard of that with Peter Lindsay. Nevertheless, Bruce had to produce good handball to defeat Clarrie, prevailing in the first set only 21-17. In the second set it was Partridge all the way.

Eddie Davis had a comfortable victory over Zaide Lazarus. Zaide played very well, but Eddie always appeared to have the game safe, winning by 21-13; 21-16. He is now set to play the victor of the McGilvray versus McCamley match.

In B Grade, two exciting matches were played. Bill Kirwan defeated Eric Thompson in a hard 3 set match, winning 19-21; 21-7; 21-19. It is said that this was the match of the month in this grade. In the past, Bill has more or less failed in championship games, but it was common knowledge that when he did produce his best, it would be too bad for his opponent. Eric's temperament is different, as he does better when the event is worthwhile. Such a set up surely must make for excitement,

and so it proved. Bill lost the first 19-21; raced away with the second 21-7; and the third was a splendid game, Bill winning 21-19, and the match. Congratulations, Bill and also to you, Eric, for a very good effort.

The other game was that between Andy McGill and Neil Barrell. This match also went to the third set. Andy was a hot favourite for this match — but Neil had other ideas. He won the first set 23-21; Andy won the second 21-19, but the tough games and humid weather seemed to affect him more than Neil, and, after a brief rest, they went into the third set, Neil appearing to have the advantage. As the game progressed it certainly looked that way. Neil gained a very good lead early and led very well at the half way mark. Then Andy seemed to recover his energy and it was all Andy over the concluding stages. A mighty game and congratulations to

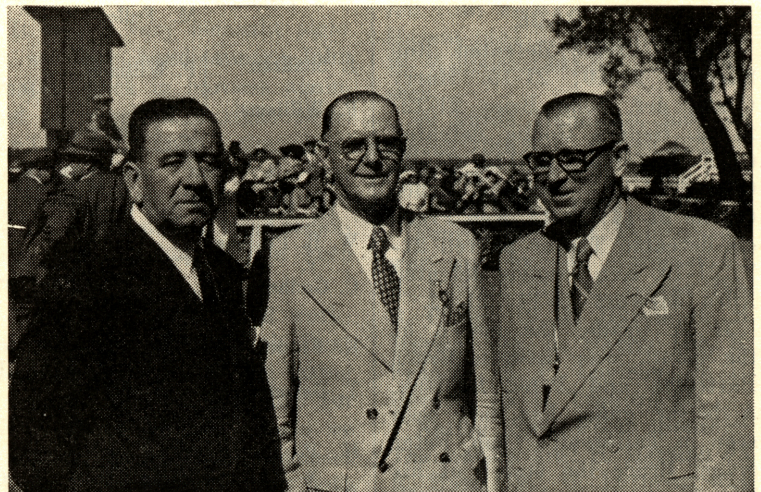
Andy for a fine win!

In the C Grade, they are having a wonderful competition. All players are keen and some very good games have been played. Ken Francis, Harry Castle and George Goldie have been the most successful and have all reached the semi-final. Only Fred Daly has to play his games to complete the four. Fred reckons there is not enough "movement" for him yet! Congratulations to all the successful competitors to date.

## PERSONAL:

A party from the 3rd Floor was entertained by our very genial friend, John Shaffran, at Wamboral during the month. The party included Stewart Murray, Harris Davis, Geoff Eastment, Bruce Dickson and Arthur McCamley. In spite of the rain, they had a most enjoyable week-end, and many thanks were showered upon John for having them along.

Peter and May Lindsay are off for three weeks' holiday on s.s. "Duntroon" to Perth. Happy holiday and hope you enjoy good weather.



## AN INTERESTING SOUTH AFRICAN PICTURE

Left to Right: Hedley Ward, Secretary, S.A.T.C., formerly of Sydney; Hugh McKinnell, Vice-Chairman, S.A.T.C.; and Club Member, W. C. Allen, at the Kenilworth Racecourse, Cape Town, on Derby Day (5th March).



## Arthur Ward — the Horse Tamer

Two horses — one a barrier rogue and the other a champion sprinter — who raced nine years apart, have played an important part in the career of Sydney jockey Arthur Ward.

THE barrier rogue gained Ward the reputation of being a "horse tamer" and let the jockey in for a lot of hard work. The champion sprinter established the jockey as a polished horseman and one of Sydney's best riders.

Ward became known as a "horse tamer" when he won on the three-year-old colt, Hydra, in the Maiden Handicap at



Photo, courtesy "The Sun."

Rosehill (Sydney) on August 10, 1940. Hydra, an almost unmanageable colt, did everything wrong before a race — he would jib at the barrier, lash out with his heels and wheel around suddenly.

Ward, however, calmed Hydra so well at Rosehill that he jumped away smartly and won easily. The jockey was to regret often that he did such a

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## BOWLING NOTES



## Will Rain Ever Stop?

Rain has played a major role in our programmes this month.

MARCH 10th was to be the "Big Day," a return visit from our friends — "Newcastle Tattersalls." Unfortunately, it literally poured from the time they arrived until the time for departure. After rowing them around the greens they accepted a challenge to play indoor bowls — once again showed their versatility and ran out winners by 77 points. Ken Ranger's team found the going particularly heavy and "Swaines" ducks could not adapt themselves to the indoor conditions. Ken William's team gave us a substantial lead in the second game, scoring 8 points to Nil, this placid "Skip" is an inspiration to any team.

After the game we entertained our friends back at the "Club" to dinner and, despite the rain, all voted it a grand day.

### SCORES:

J. Edwards, E. Jones, F. Hector, J. Brennan (N'cle) ..	2
C. Cohen, J. Gibbs, J. Lindsay, Les Fingleton (Tatt.'s) ..	1
C. Oughton, Les Fines, H. Wilkinson, B. O'Donnell (N'cle) Nil	
J. Harris, L. Williams, N. Hough, K. Williams (Tatt.'s) ..	8
C. Bain, S. McKenzie, R. Cummings, W. Moore (N'cle) ..	5
C. Cook, J. Saulwick, J. McKendrick, G. Booth (Tatt.'s)	4
H. Close, F. Clayton, T. Sanderson, G. Fitzpatrick (N'cle)	2
G. Brown, F. Empton, B. Levey, E. A. Davis (Tatt.'s) ..	1
R. Sanderson, B. Wright, J. McKenzie, H. Mitcheson (N'cle) ..	10
R. Ball, Homer-Jones, P. Schwarz, K. Ranger (Tatt.'s) ..	1
S. Steggles, S. Charlton, A. Tiernan, E. Smith (N'cle) ..	3
F. Voekler, J. Pick, C. L. Davis, J. Monro (Tatt.'s) ..	1
R. Golden, A. Curtis, C. Giles, E. J. Curtis (N'cle) ..	2
A. Gillespie, E. Abbott, A. Buckle, W. McDonald (Tatt.'s)	1

The Tuesday Knock-out Competitions also suffered owing to the wet conditions and only two matches were played, resulting in wins for K. Cotton (C.B.S. Bank) and Gordon Booth (Tattersall's).

Congratulations to Jack Pick on his appointment to the Competitions Committee of Double Bay Club. Jack is a born organiser and a definite asset to any committee. Already his bright and novel ideas are in evidence.

Hon. Secretary, Alex Buckle, is a tiger for work and it is understood that in addition to Tattersall's Pairs Competition he is going to conduct a Triples Competition and it will probably be played at Double Bay on Fridays — he has strong backing from his Vice-President, Cecil Davis, who is most anxious to get cracking on Fridays. Cecil is also an Honorary Life Member and a Vice-President of Double Bay Club, with an inexhaustible supply of energy.



# Murray Robson

## *Sportsman - Soldier - Solicitor - Statesman*

**There is a deliberate reason in the order of the listing in the heading above—quite apart from alliteration's artful aid. For, in writing of our genial fellow-member Murray Robson, we are perhaps more interested in him in the role of good sportsman than in his other and, from a different point of view, more important roles.**



**B**UT no man can be separated into sections; and therefore, in writing of Murray Robson the sportsman, we will inevitably talk of Robson the outstanding soldier; of Robson the successful solicitor — and some small mention of Robson the politician, even if the last breaks this magazine's usual rule of "no politics". For it is true that most men, even when their party views are diametrically opposed to his, find it difficult to resist the obvious friendliness that is a large part of Murray Robson's make-up.

Let us deal first with the Ewan Murray Robson that we know best — the sportsman, that is one of our best-known fellow-members. He has been quite a personality in the Club over the years — at one time an habitue of the third-floor

swimming pool, particularly with the late Bob Withycombe; a casual punter when the spirit moves him — and a good loser who reckons, with a grin, that he's just another unlucky punter. A friendly, genial, even-tempered man — in the way that big-built men are often even-tempered. And Murray Robson certainly comes under the heading of "big built"; he is an even six-foot three, and weighted like a football forward, which is just what he was in days gone by.

Born a Sydney-sider, Murray Robson learned his Rugby Union at Newington, playing the first fifteen in his last two years there. He developed as a bit of an all-rounder at the School, played a fair game of cricket, shone as a shot-put exponent, rowed in the School eight. After Newington, he went on to

Sydney University to read his father's profession — law. He graduated in 1930 as a Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws — but found time between studying to play in the second row of the scrum for St. Paul's; to row also for St. Paul's; and to row two years in the 'Varsity eight. They were happy years, and he has never forgotten them.

Murray Robson practised in Law as soon as he was able to set up a shingle. Success came to him in his profession as the years rolled by, with a partnership in the firm now known as Robson, Cowlshaw and Macready. But the Law, with all its interests and intricacies, was not enough to hold his undivided attention, and the middle nineteen-thirties saw him take up to other activities that were to change his life greatly.



The first was public life. He had been brought up in an atmosphere of politics and government, and the choice was almost inevitable for him. His grandfather, a public accountant, had been a member of the Legislative Council since the time when that body was by appointment and non-political. His father, W. E. V. Robson, was Member of the Legislative Assembly for the old National Party, from 1905 to 1920, representing Ashfield; and M.L.C. from then until his death in 1951. Murray Robson stood first as an Independent for Vacluse in 1936, opposing the officially-endorsed U.A.P. candidate — and gained the seat. His breach with the Party — if you can call it that — was healed without fuss or formality a year or two later, and he has continued to represent Vacluse in the Assembly as the years have gone by, without break.

Last year, of course, Murray Robson became the Leader of Her Majesty's Opposition in the State Assembly after the resignation of Mr. V. H. Treatt — an elevation to fame that he accepted with the greatest reluctance and only under the greatest moral pressure. But, once having accepted, even his political enemies would admit that he has conducted the Opposition with verve, vigour and dignity. What the future will hold in this field for him, is your guess as much as mine.

The same year, 1936, that saw him enter politics, saw Murray Robson also accept an-

other far-reaching public obligation. He joined the Australian Militia Forces — swayed, probably, by old Billy Hughes' eloquence when the Militia was resuscitated, but imbued also by a feeling that there was trouble ahead. The outbreak of World War II found him an artilleryman with the rank of bombardier. He enlisted in the A.I.F. almost as soon as enlistment was opened — actually the first member of any Australian Parliament to do so; commissioned shortly after, he was also the first M.P. to embark — in December 1939. He saw service over the long face of North Africa in those early and bitter days when equipment was short and men were few; the Syrian campaign found him commanding A Company of the 2/31 Battalion. That campaign was very nearly his last. Near Jezzine he was seriously wounded in the head by a mortar burst, and it looked for a while as though he would be invalided home. However, after two months in hospital he was ready to rejoin his Battalion — somewhat shaky, but passed as fit.

The Division returned, rather deviously, to Australia, and then passed North to New Guinea. Murray Robson fought through the Owen Stanley campaign, then was honoured by taking command of the Battalion for the remainder of the war. Some of the worst was yet to come; the campaign for Lae and the Markham Valley — where Lt. Col. E. M. Robson won the D.S.O. and was three times mentioned in Despatches. And

then later, tedious mopping-up campaigns that kept the 2/31st busy. Then came the landing in Borneo.

On the ever-memorable 15th August, 1945, the 2/31st and their Commanding Officer were at Balikpapan. Murray Robson's Battalion was ordered to Banjermasin, capital of S.E. Borneo, to accept the surrender of the Japanese forces in the area. Major-General Uno laid his sword at the Australian colonel's feet in a ceremony designed to make an impression on a population of shifting allegiances. It was a great day.

That then is your fellow member Murray Robson. Of the four main facets of his life, Robson the sportsman is the most congenial; Robson the solicitor the most consistent; Robson the soldier the most spectacular; Robson the politician the most auspicious. And there is, of course, another facet: the Robson who lives happily with his family at Rose Bay, cutting the lawns at week-ends, surfing at Bondi with his two sons. Murray, Junior, elder of the two, has just gained his commission as a member of the 30th Scottish; Campbell is at Sydney University, studying Law.

To fill in an odd corner of an already full life, Murray Robson plays golf at Royal Sydney. Rather surprisingly, he confesses that he hasn't as much time to play golf as he would wish, and thinks his mark of 15 flatters him!



# *The Beginnings of Melbourne Racing*

**It has been said that whenever British people settle in a new place their first act is the creation of a church of some sort. The second is the creation of a racecourse, after which, civilisation can be said to have arrived. On that standard, Victoria became civilised with much greater rapidity than New South Wales, for it was only an infant settlement when, on March 6, 1838, its first race meeting was held.**

**R**RACING in Hyde Park, mostly concerning the military officers and their horses, certainly took place in 1805, and probably as early as 1800; but definitely the first race meeting of public importance in New South Wales did not occur until 1824, when, at Penrith, on Anniversary Day, the Champion Cup, promoted by Sir John Jamieson, who lived near Penrith at Regentville, was run. The course was through the town, and Sir John's own horse, Binnalong, was beaten, with four others, by a horse named Hector, owned by a Mr. Lane. To Lane's house, five miles out, the cup

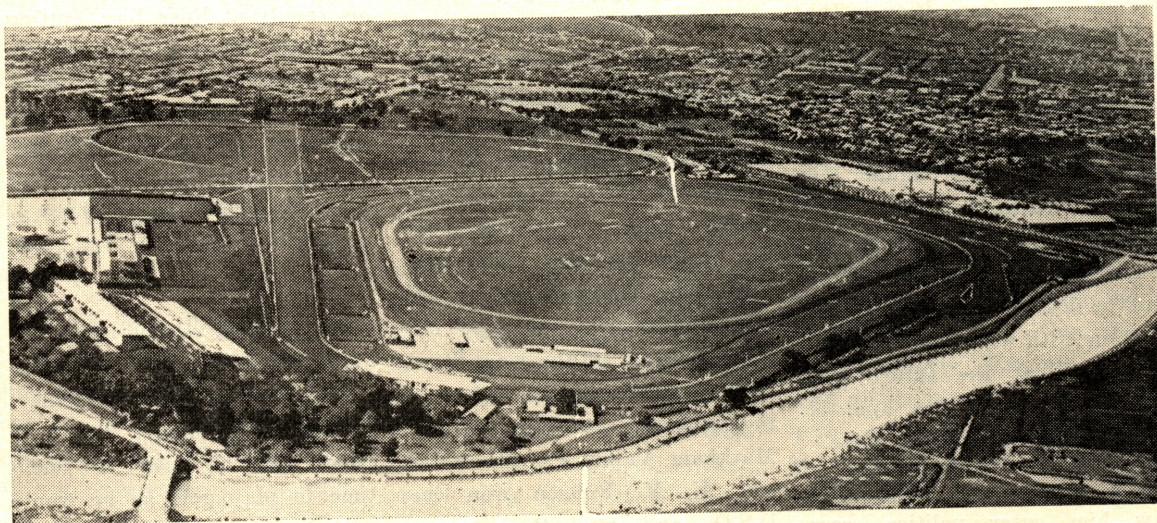
presented by Jamieson was taken on a cart and set up between two monster casks of beer, and practically the total population of Penrith, which had made a procession of it, enjoyed a two days' orgy until the beer ran out.

The Melbourne start was made on Batman's Hill, now the site of Spencer Street railway station, the horses being started from a spot approximate to what is now the North Melbourne station, and following a semi-circular course to finish on Batman's Hill, the winning post being a hard sapling decorated with a bit of bunting. On that historic occasion six special

constables — all time-expired men of good conduct — were sworn-in to maintain order. Refreshment booths were provided by two trucks enclosed by sacks and sails nailed to uprights. They were conducted by the Melbourne innkeepers, J. P. Fawcner and Michael Carr.

The Victorian Turf Club moved the racecourse two years later to the banks of the Saltwater River — the Flemington of to-day. The name came, later on, from the little hamlet in which an early settler, Bob Fleming, a butcher, was the most prominent citizen. But the early course was not the course of to-day. A crude scaffold-grandstand went up near the river, where the horses to-day approach the back of the course. The refreshment booths were tents; the only rails were some roped posts near the winning post.

The chief event at the early meetings was the Town Plate,



FLEMINGTON RACECOURSE — *A fine aerial view.*

(Photo—courtesy The Sun.)



£500, with £50 added, 2 miles and a distance, run in heats on the "rubber and points" system. The meetings first took an inter-colonial interest in 1846, when a Tasmanian horse, Paul Jones, was ridden to victory in the first heat, but was beaten in the next two by Petrel, a Victorian country horse. "Ten-Hill" gradually became a point of vantage for sightseers and finally the grandstand — an ambitious stand for those times — and the winning post was moved to its base. The "classics" of to-day started to make their appearance in 1855, when what was actually the first Victorian Derby was won by Mr. E. Row's Rose of May. Race guides give 1856, when Flying Doe won, as the date of the establishment of the Derby, but the race the year before was actually a Derby. The Champion Stakes and St. Leger came in 1859, established by the V.J.C., which had taken command. A St. Leger had been instituted by the V.T.C. in 1850, but was dropped in 1859. The Melbourne Cup made its appearance in 1861.

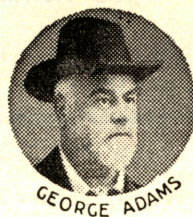
As an example of the start secured by Victoria in this re-

spect, only one of the classics in other States dates its origin to before the Melbourne Cup—the South Australian Derby, first run in 1860. The Australian Cup, by which New South Wales sportsmen hoped to challenge the Melbourne ascendancy, did not come until 1863; the Adelaide Cup till 1864; A.J.C. Derby, 1865; A.J.C. St. Leger, Sydney Cup, Metropolitan Handicap and Champagne Stakes, 1866, when overseas racing put on a spurt.

It was in 1857 that the Victoria Jockey Club came into existence with a radical programme, and the trustees of "the Racecourse," being forced by public opinion to grant it the use of the course, began the process of gradually ousting the older racing body. Its big event was the Two Thousand Guineas.

But it was the V.T.C. which established the Melbourne Cup, as a sort of counter blast. At the start it was "a handicap of 20 sovereigns, 10 sovereigns forfeit, or 5 if declared; with 200 sovereigns added." The winner of the Two Thousand

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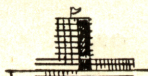
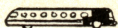
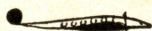
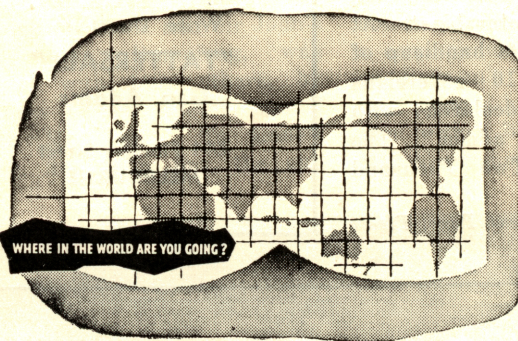
There were 45 entries for the first Cup; 22 accepted. Betting began some weeks before the declaration of weights approved, T. Bavin's Flying Birch and J. R. Cowell's Goffer Gray being the favourites at 16 to 1 in what is said to be the first betting list issued anywhere. The ultimate winner, the Sydney horse, Archer, was joint favourite with Tony Boy, at 6 to 1, early in October, and with Mormon later, when that horse won the Two Thousand Guineas. Then

the rumour spread that Mr. De Mestre was pinning his faith to his other horse, Inheritor, and Archer went out to 12 to 1. The victory of the crack New South Wales horse, which had an unbeaten record, sent Sydney delirious with joy. Yet the news of the victory was regarded of such little importance that the "Sydney Morning Herald" of November 8, 1861, gave the Cup barely one inch of space in three inches of general news, telegraphed from Melbourne, giving the result baldly as "De Mestre's Archer"!

The scene of that first Melbourne Cup naturally provides an extraordinary contrast to that of to-day. The grandstand built in 1860 to hold 3,000

people was still at the riverside, with the winning post; about 4,000 altogether saw the race. The weather was ideal. There being no trains, a goodly proportion of the crowd arrived by buntinged steamers along the Yarra and Saltwater Rivers; they landed their human freights at the back of the grandstand. The spare ground in the vicinity was a sort of fair with tents and booths of canvas and wood. The sideshows — native freaks, fat women, blind men who foretold winners, two-headed sheep, and nigger minstrels — helped to animate the picture.

The first Melbourne Cup was worth £900, which seems a mere trifle to the big amounts that came later.



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# SUMMARY OF SPORTS TOPICS

## BREEDING

**J**UST on 24 years ago two colt foals — both of whom were to make racing history — romped together in the same paddock at the Tally Ho Stud, Westmeath, Ireland.

One foal was a bay and the other a chestnut. The bay was named Windsor Lad and proved an outstanding stayer in England where his wins included the 1934 Derby and St. Leger.

The chestnut colt also made a name for himself as a stayer in England but it is in Australia that he is best known. For he is Enfield, who sired the winners of two Melbourne Cups and whose progeny had won £221,150 to the end of last season.

Enfield was bought in 1937 by Mr. H. G. Raymond, for his St. Albans Stud at Geelong, Victoria. The horse was purchased

from Captain Cecil Boyd-Rochfort, present trainer to her Majesty the Queen and leading trainer in England last year.

Enfield, by Winalot from Firecrest, won just on £7000 in stakes in England. As a two-year-old, he won a Newmarket Nursery and an Old Nursery, both at one mile.

Next season Enfield's wins included the Kempton Queen's Plate (2m.), Newbury Autumn Cup (2m. 1f.) and the Newmarket Cesarewitch (2½m.) from 27 starters.

As a four-year-old he won the Ascot Queen Alexandra Stakes (2m. 6f.) so it is not surprising his progeny in Australia have been endowed with stamina.

Enfield's first son to win the Melbourne Cup was Sirius, who was successful in 1944. His second was Rimfire who lived up to his sire's reputation for

courage by winning Australia's biggest race in 1948 despite unsound legs.

Rimfire's win completed the two-cups double that year for Enfield as another of his progeny, Red Fury, landed the Caulfield Cup.

Other winners sired by Enfield include Great Britain (1942 V.R.C. Derby and Caulfield Guineas) and Aldershot (Adelaide Cup and V.R.C. Ereidounce Stakes in which he beat Hydrogen and Dalray by 12 lengths).

Enfield's daughters are now establishing themselves among the leading brood mares in Australia. Last season he sired the dams of winners of £30,767 in stakes and was fourth on the list behind Magpie, Beau Pere and Midstream.

Enfield's stable name has been "Barney" since the day he arrived at St. Albans Stud. He is still as sound as the day he was foaled. Mr. Raymond says that his horse's disposition, intelligence and character are the finest he has ever seen in a thoroughbred.

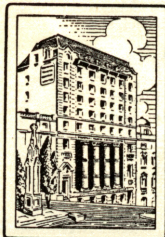
"Barney is greatly loved by us all at St. Albans — and he knows it, too," added Mr. Raymond.

Enfield also was popular at Captain Boyd-Rochfort's training establishment at Newmarket (Eng.) for when the horse was due to leave for Australia the trainer wrote a glowing letter about him to his new owner.

"Enfield left here this morning to all our regret and we shall miss him very much," wrote the English trainer.

"He was one of the gamest hardest, and best staying horses I have ever looked after and is as sound to-day as the day he was born.

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Enfield started stud duty in Australia in 1938 and, despite his age, is still full of life. He is the pet of St. Albans and will be so until the day he dies.

## RUGBY UNION

**THEY** will be saying again at the beginning of the season, as they did last year and the year before that, that his career in 'big football is finished.

But there is one man who will not believe that. He has never believed it and has always proved right — the man himself, Cyril Burke, the Mighty Atom of Rugby Union.

Burke is probably the quickest, cleverest and gamest half to represent Australia.

Burke learned his football in Newcastle, the steel and coal city on the Hunter River, New South Wales.

He played in the Merewether-Carlton juniors in 1942 and 1943, and went into the seniors in 1944, although he was then only 17. When the Waratahs were formed in 1946 he transferred to that club and won a place in the New South Wales team to visit Queensland.

Since then he has appeared in every major Rugby Union country.

For some reason the little Newcastle scrum-worker has always been more appreciated overseas than in Australia.

When he went to New Zealand with the 1946 Wallabies at the age of 19 he was the second half-back. He had not been there a fortnight before a discerning New Zealand critic wrote, "It would not surprise me if he becomes the Test half." And he did.

A month after the 1953. Wallabies had been in South Africa, an experienced observer opined, Cyril Burke is an exceptional half-back, in both attack and defence. Australia is lucky to

have such a talented player in such a vital position for the crucial international matches."

Evidently the Australian touring team's selectors did not share this opinion. They left him out of the first Test. But they had second thoughts about it, for they brought him back for the second and kept him in for the third and fourth.

When the Maoris visited Australia in 1949, well knowing the menace he was, they went for him "boots and all" in the first match against New South Wales, and, so to say, almost "booted him off the paddock". The Australian selectors to the secret delight of the Maoris, obligingly left him out of the first Test, which the Maoris won 12-3.

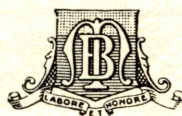
They included him for the second, which was drawn and retained him for the third, which Australia won 18-3.

After the tour one of the Maoris said, "If we had had him we would have won all three Tests. Charlie Eastes and Trevor Allan score the tries and get the praise, but Cyril Burke starts it all, so crisp and clean hardly anyone notices."

Little Burkey is another illustration of the old sporting truth that in international football size does not necessarily count. He stands only 5ft. 6in. and was only 9st. 10lb. when chosen to tour New Zealand in 1946.

Since then he has toured Britain and France, been to New Zealand thrice more, last year as captain of the N.S.W. Country Rugby Union team which won 11 of 13 matches, and made the long and hard trek through South Africa, as well as playing against New Zealand, British and Fijian teams in Australia.

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In all that long career, subject to the attentions of some of the biggest and toughest forwards in the world, Burke has never once failed to be still on his feet at the end of even the hardest match — a sure proof of courage and strength.

He may not look a Clydesdale, but he is as strong as a Shetland.

His play has won admiration around the world.

He has the basic qualification of all the great halves — natural quickness. He has never been a particularly long passer, but he has always been an exceptionally speedy one, both in getting his hands to the ball and in sending the ball on to his five-eight.

In sheer speed of passing he compares with Mill, fastest of the new Zealand half-backs.

It is this speed in initiating movements that gains the split

part of a second at the base of the scrum that becomes magnified into yards by the time the ball reaches the centres and the wings.

Try-scoring centres and wings who have played outside him have much to thank this clever little half-back for.

Early in his career his passing was apt to be wild. When he came back from the 1947 Wallabies' tour of Britain and France he had improved out of sight in this respect, so that he combined the good half-back's two main assets — quickness in passing, plus direction.

Moreover, Burke has never been an habitual passer-on of the ball. He was one of the lucky fellows born with speed off the mark and to this he allied a crisp side-step. With these capacities he developed high skill in dashes from scrums and rucks, scoring tries himself, or making openings for team-mates to do so.

It says much for him that though opponents knew of this and were on the watch for it, he continued to fool them with his swift dashes into the open. One Welsh opponent called him Quick Silver.

Burke was just as game and just as good in defence. It is characteristic that although he was superseded by Brian Cox for the Tests in New Zealand last year, The New Zealand Rugby Almanac, a sort of Bible of football over there, still rated him the better half.

Perhaps this is just another illustration of how The Pride of Newcastle seems to have been taken pretty much for granted in Australia. His opponents, and his associates on many a tour, know how good he is.

Perhaps, in a few years we

will all be saying what a great half Cyril Burke was and wishing we had him back again.

But if Cyril is right, that will not be for some time yet. He is playing with his old club team, Waratahs, and has been appointed captain-coach again.

If selected, he will be available to tour with the Australian team in New Zealand this year again.

For those who think he is too old at 28 to represent, there is the case of little Pierre de Villiers, who, at 31, toured Australia and New Zealand with the Springboks in 1937.

Burke, too, keeps himself in perfect physical condition throughout the year. A non-smoker and non-drinker, he considers he has an advantage over many of his contemporaries.

He spends most of his nights off from football training at home with his wife and 3½-year-old son Bruce, whom he expects to start taking an interest in Rugby this season.

Mrs. Burke is happy about her husband's interest in football and encourages him to keep playing and trying for representative honours.

"Apart from bad luck, I don't think my football should deteriorate for a few more years," he said before the start of this season.

"I think the life of a player depends on the style of football the individual plays, the willingness to train and the kind of life he leads."

Burke says this without the slightest trace of smugness or conceit. It is his sane, uninhibited approach to the game — just as when he says, "If we play to win it is sensible to tighten the game and only throw the ball about when fundamentally and positionally correct.

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There's something about little Burkey that makes you wish he can keep on going on for fear something goes out of the game and cannot be replaced.

## BILLY WATSON

**B**ILLY WATSON played cricket all through his school days and in Green Shield (under 16) and Poidevin-Gray Shield (under 21) competitions. He played in the shire competitions and in all grades with the Waverley Cricket Club — but never at any time notched a century.

Which makes Watson's 155 against the English bowlers, Tyson, Loader, Bedser and Appleyard in the first game of N.S.W. v M.C.C. probably one of the most remarkable centuries ever scored in big cricket.

For the big score was put together in a fashion which suggested Watson was an habitual century maker with years of experience as an opening bat in first-class cricket.

Right from the start of Watson's innings — he went in late on Friday, batted all Saturday and for more than an hour on the third day — he was supremely confident.

He hit the ball hard and was always looking for runs. His footwork was superb and he showed a complete lack of nerves. Even when he drew near the 100 which had eluded him for so many years he did not "pack-up".

When 96 he hooked a fast rising ball from speedster Tyson high to the legside boundary,

a shot which failed to clear the fence by only a few feet. His scoring rate can be gauged by the fact that in the first 76 runs put on during his partnership with Keith Miller, his captain score only 29 of them.

The only time Watson showed any indecision was after he cracked Tyson to the fence to bring up his 100.

He then lashed out at several balls and for a while must have been reminded of his schoolboy game when he sacrificed his wicket.

"I didn't know what to do after I reached 100," Watson admitted later, "I thought the thing to do was to go for the runs fast but Keith Miller told me at tea break not to throw my wicket away and to settle down again."

Watson looked the complete batsman during his long stay at

the wicket and it was not until after he had gained his century that he looked like getting out. He was dropped by Len Hutton and made a streaky shot through slips.

He is particularly severe on short pitched balls and hooks with power while his cover and straight drives carry plenty of sting and are well placed. His defence is sound and he has proved his ability to concentrate fully during a long innings.

But to most cricket enthusiasts — fed up with funereal batting by many openers — Watson's greatest charm is his eagerness to hit a ball hard which deserves to be hit. If he receives a half volley he treats it as it deserves no matter whether he has just gone in or is nearing his century. He is an "opener" who looks for runs from the outset.

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## ARTHUR WARD — from Page 7

good job of controlling Hydra, not only in the Rosehill race, but in others which followed.

For many years after, Ward's big claim to fame was his ability to control "cranky" thoroughbreds at the barrier. He was sought by every owner or trainer with a hot-headed, wayward horse who put on a rodeo act at the start. Requests even came from other States for him to ride outlaws which refused to behave for other riders.

Ward did his best to oblige all owners but it is doubtful whether the move was a wise one. It brought him many tough, dangerous jobs and consolidated his reputation of being solely a "horse tamer."

But this reputation was shattered for all time when Ward was given the mounts on champion sprinter, San Domenico, during the 1949-50 season. His wins on "Sandy" established him as a top-class jockey.

In 1949-50 Ward won the Challenge Stakes at Randwick on San Domenico at his first ride on the sprinter. Then came the Oakleigh Plate at Caulfield, the £3,000 Winter Handicap at Rosehill and the Ascot Flying Handicap in Brisbane.

Ward rode San Domenico 28 times for 14 wins and handled

the big gelding perfectly in all of them. It was during his association with the sprinter that he really came into his own as a jockey. His services were eagerly sought by owners and trainers in three States.

Ward was educated at Christian Brothers' School, Waverley (Sydney), and rode horses at exercise before and after school. As a boy he spent every spare moment with horses and had only one ambition—to become a jockey. His interest in horses was hereditary as three of his uncles were trainers.

Ward's rise to the top has not been easy—he's had more than his share of bad luck. He started off well by riding a winner at his second race at the age of 14½. The winner was the pony, Silent Tom, in a 14.2 Handicap at Richmond, near Sydney.

At his first ride at Randwick Ward won a race on Chatterelle, but soon after Ward broke a leg in a fall from a horse on the training track. The leg was in plaster for nearly a year. The leg was broken again at his second race ride after his return to the saddle and was in plaster for three months.

When war broke out Ward took a job in the Clyde (Syd-

ney) Engineering Workshops, but continued to ride—mostly at Newcastle, where he thought there were more opportunities. It was not until 1944 that he had his first important win—on outsider, Precise, in the Villiers' Stakes at Randwick.

At this time Ward was living and riding work at Rosehill, but two years later moved to Randwick, a change which was to bring him luck. At Randwick he was more under the notice of owners and trainers and so picked up extra race rides.

In 1946-47 Ward rode 17 winners on Sydney tracks and finished ninth in the jockeys' premiership. The following season he was eighth with 21 wins.

During the 1948-49 season he had 19½ wins for sixth position and though he dropped to eighth place with 16 wins in 1949-50, it was this season when he rode San Domenico that he was accepted as a top-line jockey. He was no more the "horse tamer." Ward started the 1950-51 season with four quick successes on San Domenico and went on to become Sydney's leading jockey for the first time with 43 wins — two more than W. Cook.

He finished seventh in 1951-52 with 23 wins; he rode in Singapore for several months in 1952-53 but still finished sixth in the jockeys' list with 19 wins.

Last year Ward was fourth with 37½ wins, but the current season will be his best ever. Up to January 8 he had ridden 35 winners, well clear of his nearest rivals, W. Cook, N. Sellwood and W. Camer.

Ward had a most successful trip to Melbourne for the spring carnivals, where one of his

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many wins was on New Zealand champion, Rising Fast, in the Caulfield Cup.

He received the mount on Rising Fast at the last minute when the champion's original jockey, W. Williamson, was injured in the One Thousand Guineas race before the Caulfield Cup.

Connections of Rising Fast unfairly criticised Ward for taking the gelding to the front too soon and the jockey was not offered the mount in the Melbourne Cup. It went to jockey J. Purtell.

Nearest Ward has been to winning the Melbourne Cup was when he finished second on Hoyle, behind Foxzami, in 1949. But the Cup can wait—the former “horse tamer's” big ambition at the moment is to win again the jockeys' premiership this season.

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# Looking Back on Tattersall's Club

★ April, 1934

**C**AN you remember 1934—twenty-one years, and a long war, ago? That was the year that Jean Batten flew solo from England to Australia in a minute aircraft. Miss Batten was several times in the Club, and members arranged a dinner in her honour before she left to return to London — but that is anticipating a little, as the dinner was not until June of 1934.

**T**HE Inter-Club Games Competition was still popular. In April, 1934, we met the N.S.W. Sports Club; honours were even — we won the Bridge and Snooker, lost the Billiards and Dominoes — the last was unusual, as we were particularly strong in the dominoes department in those days.

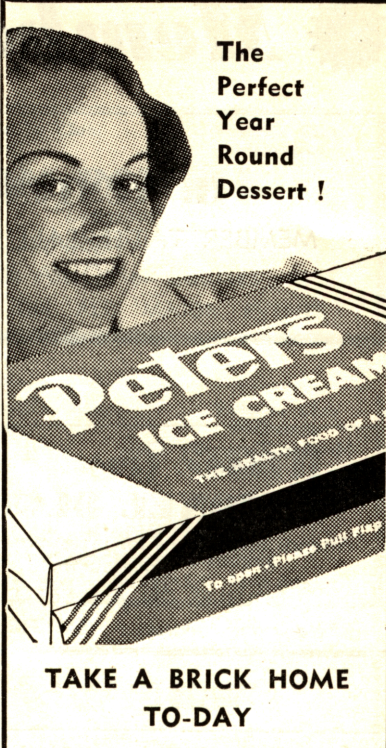
**A**PRIL, 1934, is memorable because it marked the launching of the Tattersall's Bowlers' Club. Actually, of course, there were several meetings of the Club's Bowlers before the new section was fully organised, and it was not until a little later in the year that regular games were held. Arthur Langley, first Hon. Sec., was a moving spirit. Names mentioned in the Magazine of the day, as "foundation members," were Messrs. Gearin, E. Clark, A. Bloomfield, D. Alexander, G. Monte, S. Gil-

der, R. Dansey, A. C. Ingham, W. Lamrock, W. Thomas, J. Bridges, J. Cush, Jim Wood. But the writer in the 1934 Magazine warns that the list was not complete.

**T**HE Club was full of sporting activity in 1934. The Golf Club had played in March at The Lakes, with W. Giffney and A. J. Chown winning the four-ball, from H. H. McIntosh and K. A. Bennett. In April play was at Manly for the A. C. Ingham Cup; J. Normoyle won with a net 69. There were outings planned monthly for the rest of the season.

**I**N the Swimming, Alec Richards was still leading for the Dewar Cup. Brother Vic was still suffering from football injuries, and dropped back to third behind Ken Hunter. The John Samuel Cup, donated for general swimming and diving performances, was also won by Alec, with Ken Hunter second. Probably most popular win was that of Hans Robertson, who came first in a 40-yard race on March 29th; he was getting married that same afternoon, and was given a great ovation!

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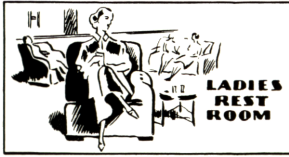


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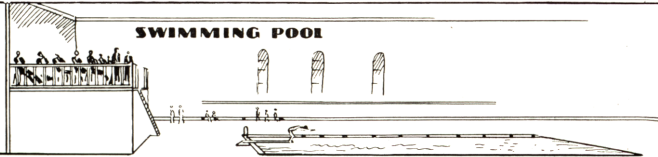


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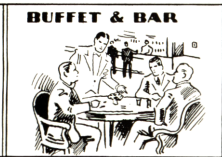
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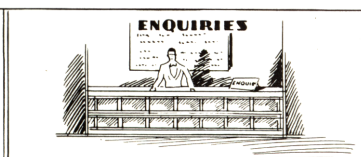


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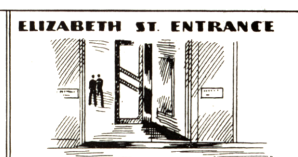
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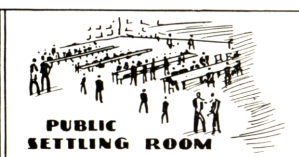


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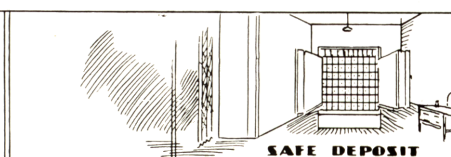
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## MAY RACE MEETING

Randwick Racecourse, SATURDAY, 28th May, 1955.

*ENTRIES for the following races will be received by the Secretary of TATTERSALL'S CLUB or Secretary, N.J.C., Newcastle, subject to the Rules of Racing, By-Laws and Regulations of the Australian Jockey Club for the time being in force and by which the nominator agrees to be bound.*

### JUVENILE NOVICE STAKES

(For Two-Year-Old Fillies at time of starting)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £850 added. Second horse £170, and third horse £85 from the prize. For horses which, at time of starting, have not since 31st December, 1952, won a Transition, Encourage or Trial Race, or a Graduation Stakes, nor have ever won a race on the flat of the value to the winner of more than £100. Provided that a horse which has won a Maiden, Improvers', Progressive, Intermediate, Advanced, or Approved Race, or, as a maiden horse, a Mixed Stakes or Graduation Stakes, irrespective of the stake won in each race, shall not on that account only be ineligible to compete. Further provided that a horse which has won since 31st December, 1952, three Novice Races of the value to the winner of £100 or less in each race shall not be eligible to compete. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

SIX FURLONGS

### TWO-YEAR-OLD NOVICE HANDICAP

(For Two-Year-Old Colts and Geldings at time of starting)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £850 added. Second horse £170, and third horse £85 from the prize. (Novice conditions as in above race.) Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

SEVEN FURLONGS

### THREE AND FOUR-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP

(For Three-Year-Old Fillies and Four-Year-Old Mares at time of starting)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £850 added. Second horse £170, and third horse £85 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

SEVEN FURLONGS

### NOVICE HANDICAP

(For Three-Year-Olds and upwards at time of starting)

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £850 added. Second horse £170, and third horse £85 from the prize. For horses, three-years-old and upwards which, at time of starting, have not since 31st December, 1952, won a Transition, Encourage or Trial Race, or a Graduation Stakes, nor have ever won a race on the flat of the value to the winner of more than £100. Provided that a horse which has won a Maiden, Improvers', Progressive, Intermediate, Advanced or Approved Race, or, as a maiden horse, a Mixed Stakes or Graduation Stakes, irrespective of the stake won in each race, shall not on that account only be ineligible to compete. Further provided that a horse which has won since 31st December, 1952, three Novice Races of the value to the winner of £100 or less in each race shall not be eligible to compete. Notwithstanding the above provisions—(a) a horse which as a two-year-old has won any race of the value to the winner of not more than £1,000 shall not by reason only of that prize be ineligible; (b) a horse which as a two-year-old has won any race of the value to the winner of over £1,000, or any races of the value to the winner of over £1,200 in the aggregate, shall not be eligible. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

ONE MILE AND A QUARTER

### FLYING HANDICAP

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £1,000 added. Second horse £200, and third horse £100 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

SIX FURLONGS

### THE JAMES BARNES PLATE

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £10 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £1,500 added. Second horse £250, and third horse £125 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

ONE MILE AND A QUARTER

### WELTER HANDICAP

A Handicap Sweepstakes of £5 each, £1 forfeit if declared to the Secretary before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955; with £900 added. Second horse £180, and third horse £90 from the prize. Lowest handicap weight not less than 7st.

ONE MILE

### CONDITIONS

ENTRIES close before 3 p.m. on Monday, 16th May, 1955, and must be accompanied by first forfeit of £1.

WEIGHTS to be declared at 10 a.m. on Monday, 23rd May, 1955.

ACCEPTANCES for all races are due before 12 noon on Thursday, 26th May, 1955, with the Secretary of Tattersall's Club, Sydney only.

PENALTIES—In all races (unless otherwise provided) the winner after the declaration of weights, of a flat race or races shall carry such additional weight (if any) for each win as the Handicapper shall determine (not exceeding in the aggregate 7lb.).

The forfeits paid for horses rejected to be refunded as provided in A.J.C. Rule 50 of Racing.

The Committee reserves to itself the right to reject, after acceptance time, all or any of the entries of the lower-weighted horses accepting in any race in excess of the number of horses which would be run in such race without a division.

Provision shall be made for three Emergency Acceptors to replace horses scratched or withdrawn after final acceptances and prior to the times appointed for scratchings on the day of the meeting.

The horses on the same weight to be selected for rejection by lot.

A horse engaged in two or more races on the same day to which conditions of elimination are to apply shall only be permitted to start in the first of such races from which it is not excluded.

The Committee reserves the power from time to time to alter the date of running, to make any alteration or modification in this programme, alter the sequence of the races and the time for taking entries, declaration of handicaps, forfeits or acceptances, to vary the distance of any race and to change the venue of the meeting, and in the event of the Outer Course being used, races will be run at "About" the distances advertised.

The Committee also reserves to itself the right in connection with any of the above races, should the conditions existing warrant it, to reduce the amounts of the prize money, forfeits and sweepstakes advertised, and to cancel the meeting should the necessity arise.

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M. D. J. DAWSON, Secretary.

**ENTRIES CLOSE before 3 p.m. MONDAY, 16th MAY, 1955.**